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# Extensively Drug-resistant *Salmonella* Typhi Infections Emerge Among Travelers to or from Pakistan—United States, 2016–2018

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**At the conclusion of the session,  
participants will be able to  
accomplish the following:**

- Provide background on *Salmonella* Typhi and the ongoing XDR typhoid outbreak.
- List CDC's recommendations for diagnosing XDR typhoid.
- Describe the treatment options for typhoid fever infections diagnosed in the United States.
- Explain the prevention measures for XDR typhoid and who should be vaccinated.

## Today's First Presenter



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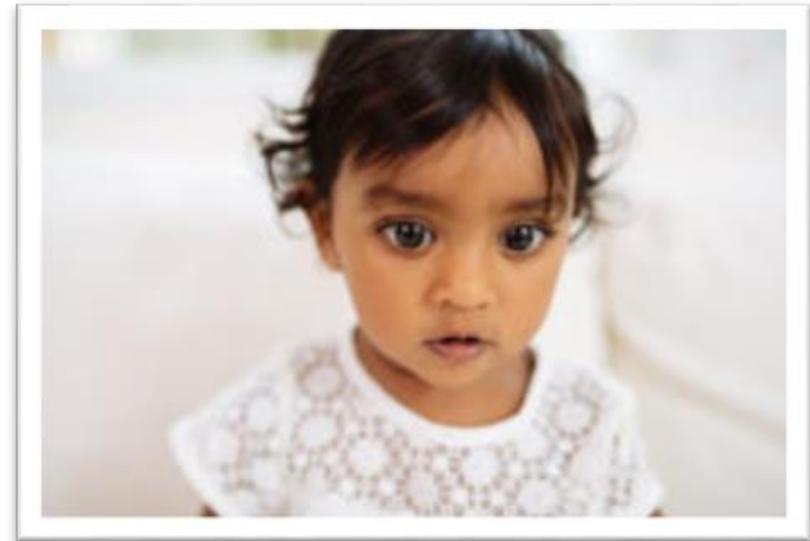
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# Extensively Drug Resistant *Salmonella* Typhi: What Healthcare Providers Need to Know

- Clinical background and epidemiology of typhoid fever
- Management of XDR typhoid
- Prevention strategies for typhoid fever

# Pediatric Case

- Rana, a 4 year old girl, presents to ED with fever (Tmax 39°C) and abdominal pain for past 4 days and 3 week history of non-bloody diarrhea
  - nausea, vomiting, anorexia, and weight loss
  - previously healthy; Meds: None
  - lives with parents and 2 yo brother



# Pediatric Case: Travel History

- Returned from 6 week trip to Pakistan
  - Traveled with family to visit relatives in Karachi, Lahore and Islamabad
    - Parents and brother had diarrheal illness in last 3 days of the trip, but all quickly recovered before return
    - Ate food prepared by relatives, in local restaurants; drank public water in homes and bottled water
      - No typhoid vaccines were administered before travel
- Second trip to Pakistan, last trip was 2 years ago



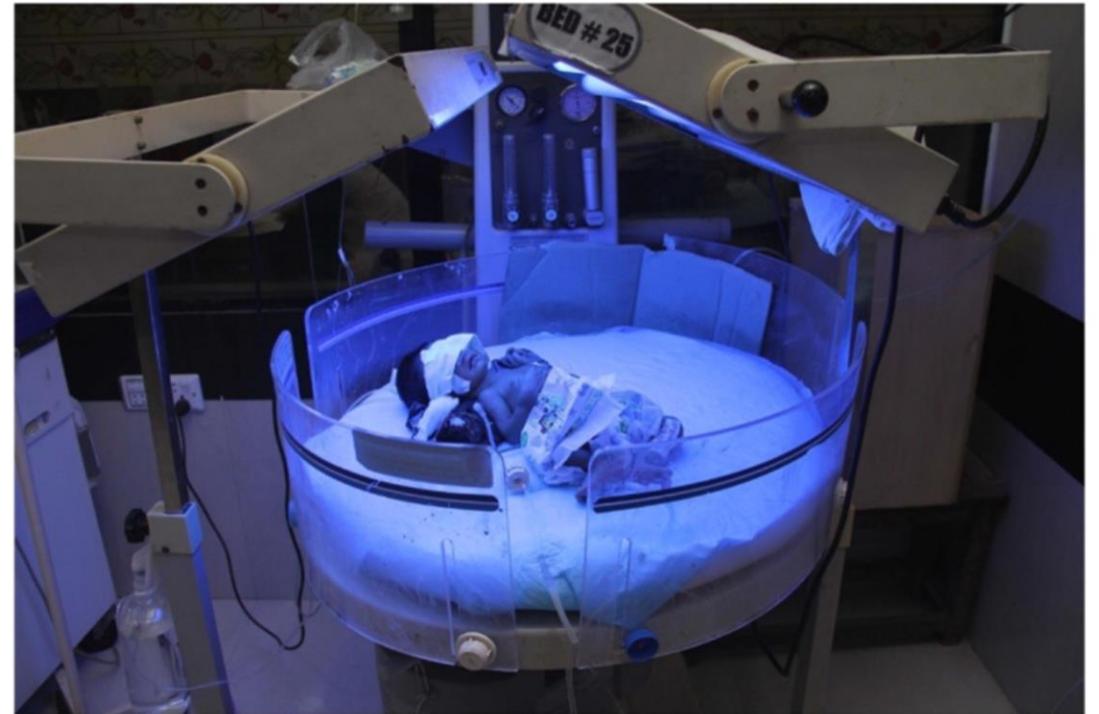
# Extensively Drug-Resistant (XDR) Typhoid Outbreak



Sewage seeping into drinking water in Karachi, Pakistan, likely helped spread bacteria that cause extensively drug-resistant typhoid. ASHRAF KHAN/IRIN

**'Frightening' drug-resistant strain of typhoid spreads in Pakistan**

***'We're Out of Options': Doctors Battle Drug-Resistant Typhoid Outbreak***

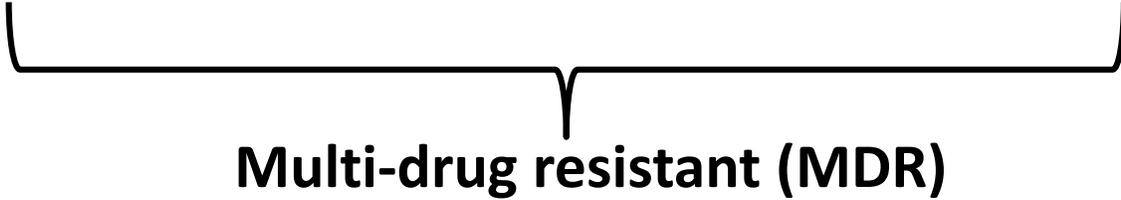


A baby believed to have contracted a drug-resistant strain of typhoid, hospitalized in Hyderabad, Pakistan in February. Nadeem Khawer/European Pressphoto Agency

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**XDR resistance = MDR + fluoroquinolones + 3<sup>rd</sup> generation cephalosporins**

# XDR Typhoid Outbreak in Pakistan, 2016–2019

- Largest ceftriaxone-resistant outbreak
  - 6,204 cases reported
  - Fecal-contamination of drinking water
  - Risk factors included<sup>1</sup>
    - age ( $\leq 15$  years), male sex, eating out, antimicrobials in 4 weeks before illness
  - Public health response ongoing



<sup>1</sup>Qamar, Farah Naz, et al. "Outbreak investigation of ceftriaxone-resistant *Salmonella enterica* serotype Typhi and its risk factors among the general population in Hyderabad, Pakistan: a matched case-control study." *The Lancet Infectious Diseases* 18.12 (2018): 1368-1376.

# Extensively Drug-Resistant (XDR) Typhoid in U.S.

## Travelers' Health

### Extensively Drug-Resistant Typhoid Fever in Pakistan



Warning - Level 3, Avoid Nonessential Travel

Alert - Level 2, Practice Enhanced Precautions

## Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR)

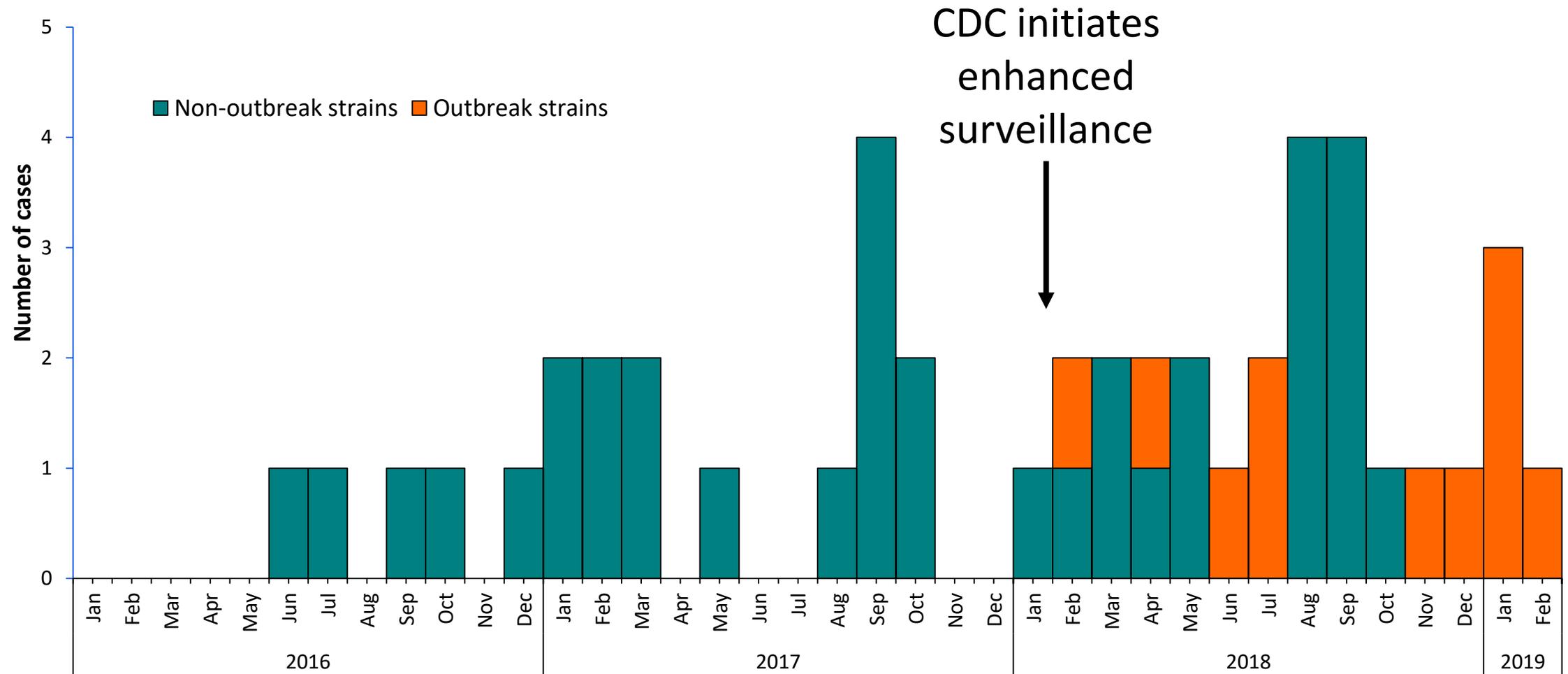
### Emergence of Extensively Drug-Resistant *Salmonella* Typhi Infections Among Travelers to or from Pakistan – United States, 2016–2018

Weekly / January 11, 2019 / 68(1);11–13

# XDR Typhi in the United States, 2016–2019

- 46 patients with typhoid fever had travel to or from Pakistan
  - **11 travel-related cases with XDR Typhi**
    - 9 (82%) children, median age 8 (4–26) years
    - Visiting Friends and Relatives (VFR) in Pakistan (7);  
visiting US from Pakistan (1)
    - None known to be vaccinated
- All travelers to Pakistan are at high risk of getting XDR typhoid fever

# Epidemic Curve of Travelers to or from Pakistan with Salmonella Typhi—United States, 2016–2019



As of March 1, 2019

**Background**

# Typhoid Fever

- *Salmonella enterica* serotype Typhi
  - Gram-negative, motile bacillus
  - O (surface polysaccharide) and H (flagellar) antigens
  - Serogroup D
- Human-restricted



## Question #2

- How is *Salmonella* Typhi transmitted?
  - A) airborne
  - B) vector-borne
  - C) droplet
  - D) food and waterborne
  - E) none of the above

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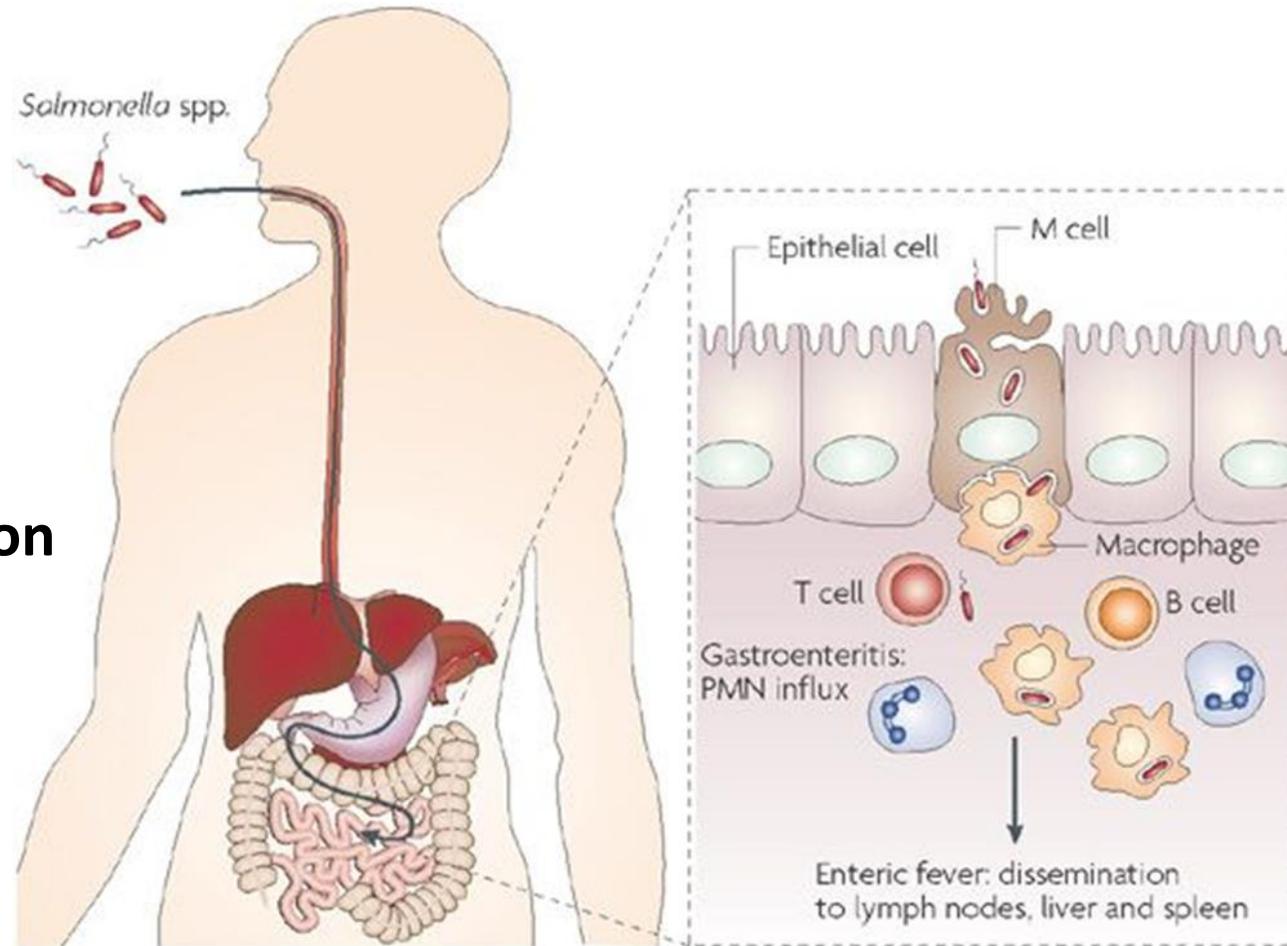
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**Fecal contamination of food or water**

# Pathophysiology

**During incubation period (6-30d), adhere to small intestine**



**Multiply and enter blood stream**

Haraga A, Ohlson MB, Miller SI. Salmonellae interplay with host cells. *Nature Reviews Microbiology*. 2008 Jan;6(1):53.

## Question #3

- Which of the following is NOT a symptom or sign of typhoid?
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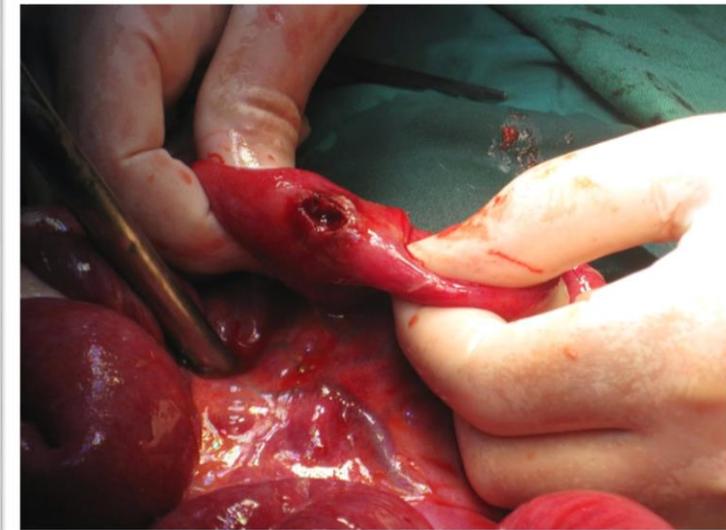
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## Frequency of Symptoms and Signs in Patients with Typhoid Fever

Symptoms	Clinical Feature	Frequency
<i>Flu-like symptoms</i>	Fever	>95%
	Headache	80%
	Chills	40%
	Cough	30%
	Myalgia	20%
	Arthralgia	<5%
	<i>Abdominal symptoms</i>	Anorexia
Abdominal pain		30%
Diarrhea		20%
Constipation		20%
<i>Physical signs</i>	Coated tongue	50%
	Hepatomegaly	10%
	Splenomegaly	10%
	Abdominal tenderness	5%
	Rash	<5%
	Generalized adenopathy	<5%

# Clinical Presentation

- Non-specific, systemic febrile illness
- Physical findings include
  - abdominal tenderness
  - Hepatosplenomegaly
  - rose spots
- Severe complications include
  - intestinal hemorrhage
  - perforation
  - shock and death



# Pediatric Case

- Compatible clinical illness and travel history
    - Fever  $\geq$  3 days and systemic symptoms, including gastrointestinal
    - Travel to an endemic region
  - Physical exam findings
    - Febrile, ill-appearing but non-toxic child
    - diffuse abdominal tenderness
- you suspect typhoid fever, *now what?***



## Question #4

- How should you diagnose typhoid fever in this patient?
  - A) Order blood and stool cultures
  - B) Order bone marrow culture
  - C) Order Widal test
  - D) Order urine cultures
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# Making the Diagnosis

- Isolating *Salmonella* Typhi from culture specimen
  - Positive blood culture in **50-70%**
    - more frequently isolated from blood during 1<sup>st</sup> week of illness
  - Positive stool culture in **40%**
    - more frequently positive in 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> week of illness
  - Positive bone marrow culture in **90%** but rarely indicated
- Typhi can also be isolated from other clinical sites
  - Duodenal aspirates, rose spots and rarely, urine



# Making the Diagnosis

- Serologic tests have limited diagnostic value
  - Widal test has poor specificity (50%-70%) and requires paired sera
    - False-negatives- early in illness
    - False-positives- past infection, vaccination or exposure to cross-reactive antigens
  - Unable to test for antimicrobial resistance

# Antimicrobial Therapy

- Effective antimicrobial therapy reduces morbidity and mortality
  - *Without* antimicrobial therapy
    - acute illness may last for 3–4 weeks
    - death rates range between 12% and 30%
  - *With* effective antimicrobial therapy
    - symptoms subside within 2 days and fever recedes within 5 days
    - death rate approximately 1%

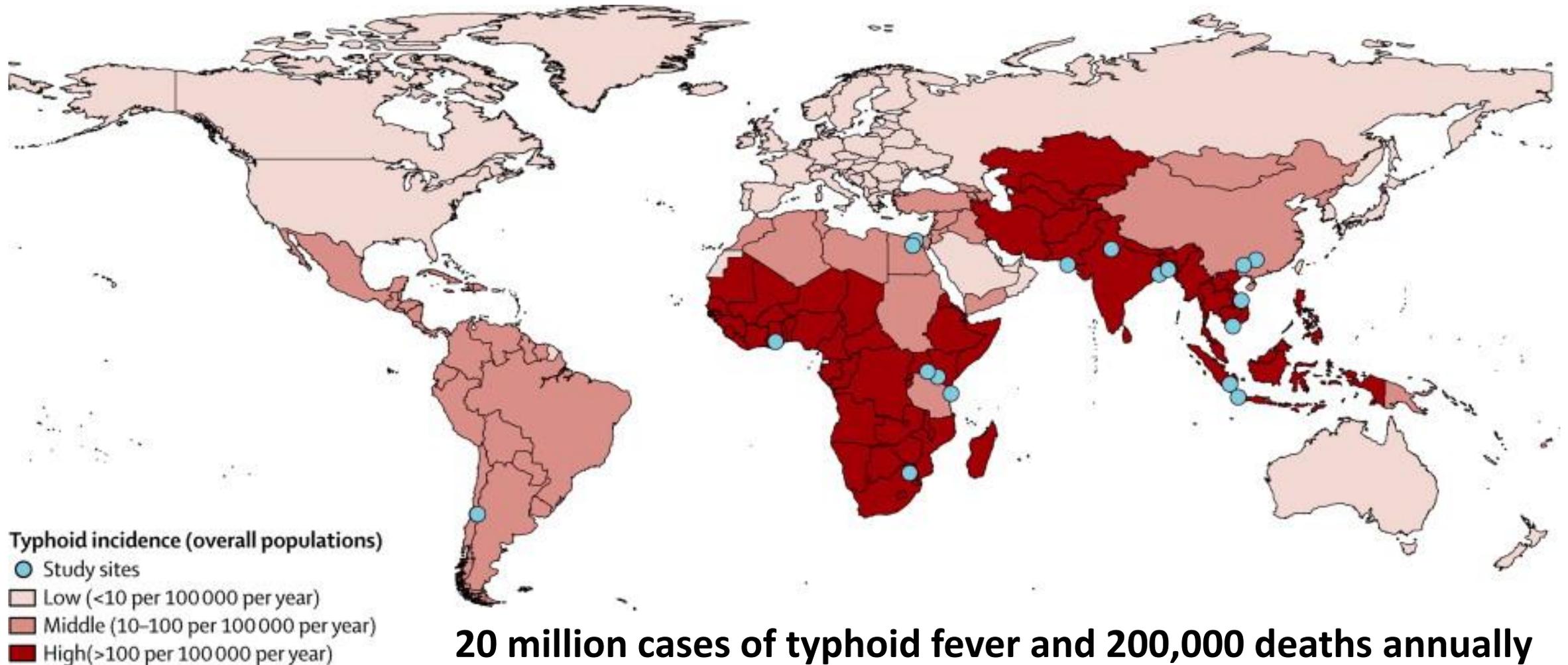
# Chronic Carriage

- Chronic, asymptomatic infection persisting in gallbladder
  - Shedding in stool (or rarely urine) >12 months after acute infection
  - 2-5% chronic carriage rate
  - Increased risk with age, female sex
- Need antimicrobial therapy to eradicate carriage



**Epidemiology**

# Epidemiology- Global



Mogasale, Vittal, et al. "Burden of typhoid fever in low-income and middle-income countries: a systematic, literature-based update with risk-factor adjustment." *The Lancet Global health* 2.10 (2014): e570-e580.

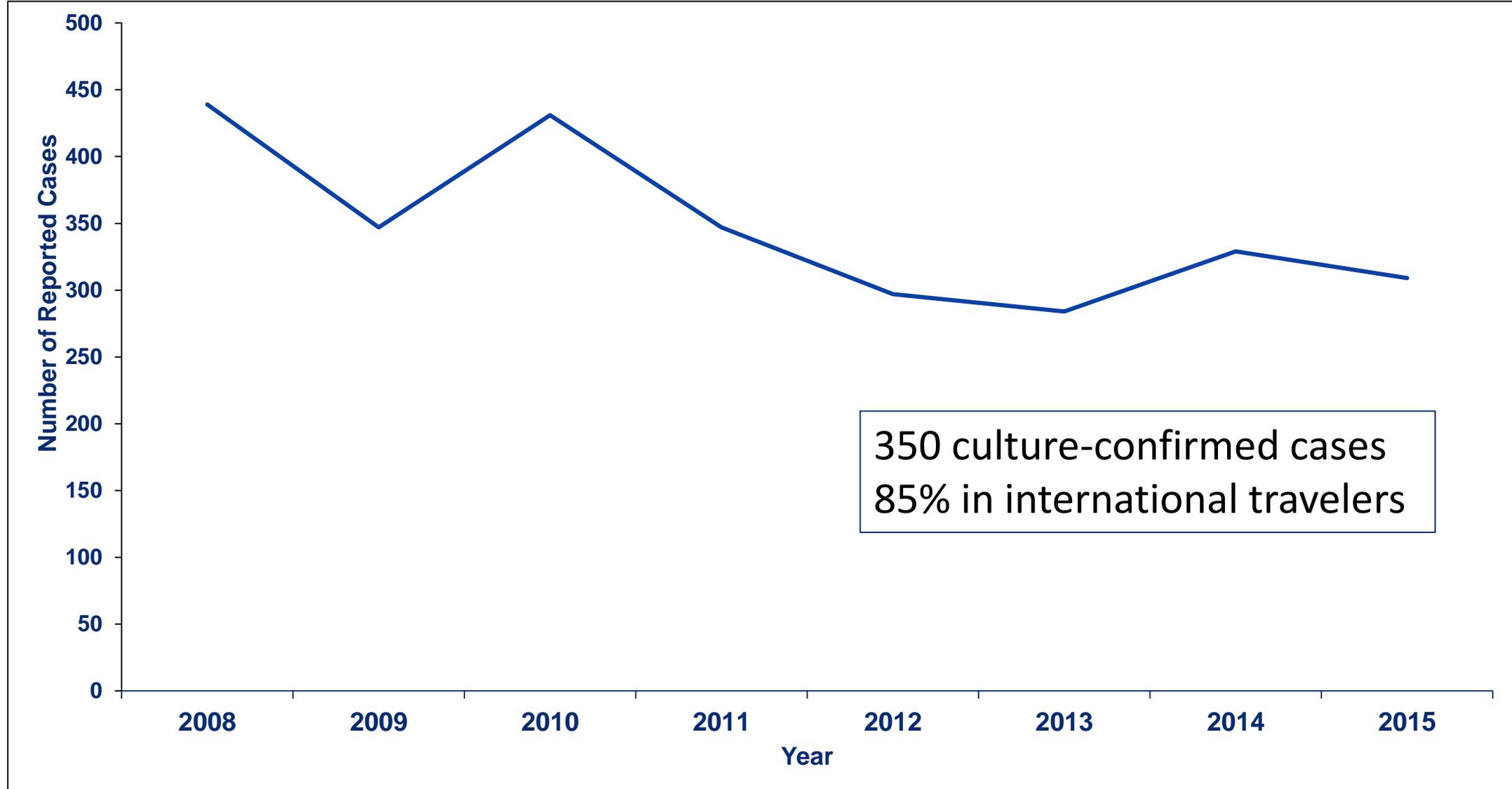
# Epidemiology- United States

- Typhoid fever is uncommon
  - 300 laboratory-confirmed cases annually
  - Not all cases are diagnosed; 5,700 estimated cases per year
- Most infections acquired during international travel



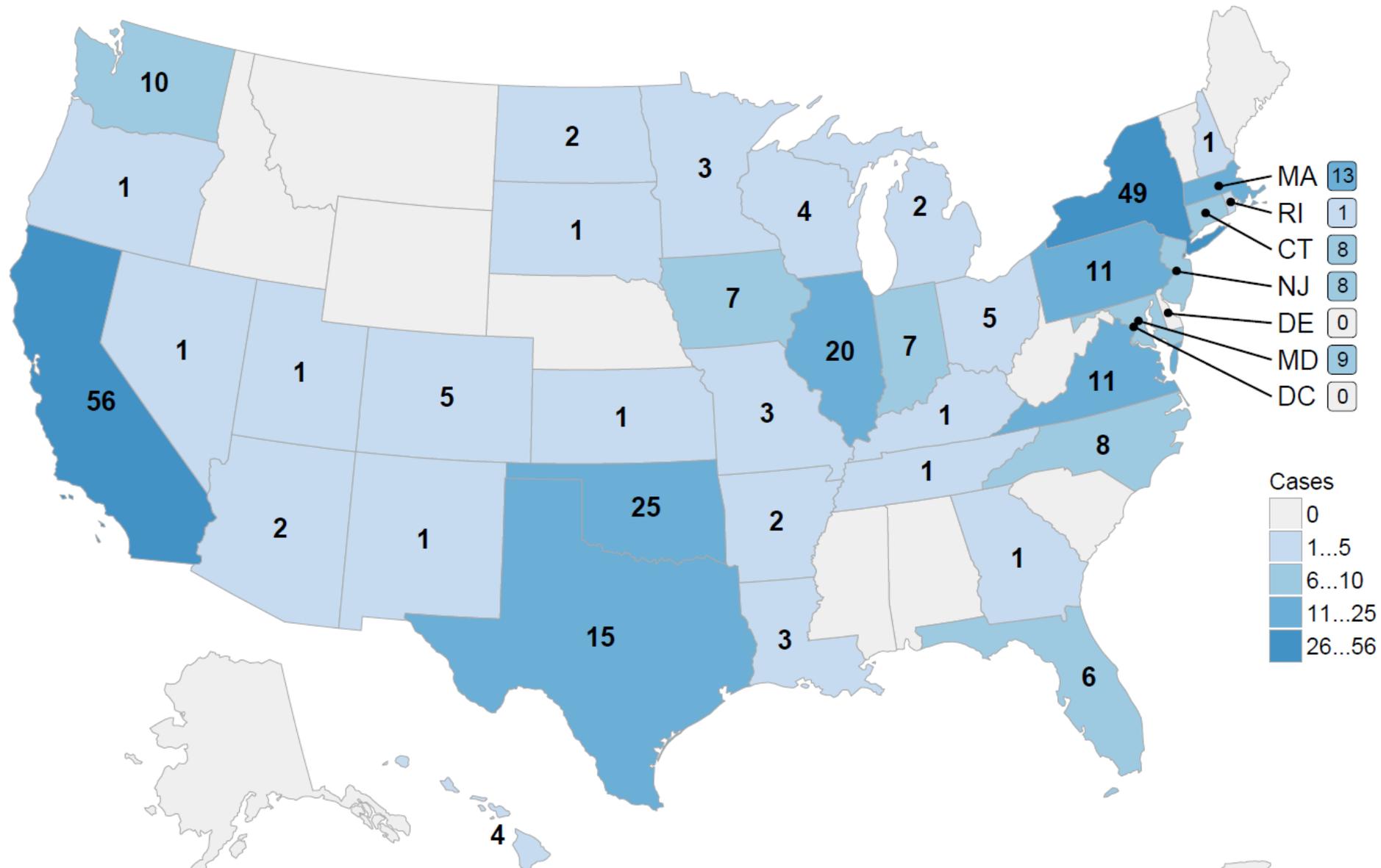


## Number of reported typhoid cases, by year – United States, 2008-2015



Data from: <https://www.cdc.gov/typhoid-fever/surveillance.html>

# Typhoid Cases by State, 2015 (n=309)



# Characteristics of US Typhoid Cases, 2008-2012

Characteristic	Frequency
Total reported cases, no.	1872
Median age, y (range)	23 (0–93)
Female	883/1853 (48)
Vaccinated	61/1176 (5)
Travel-associated	1546/1799 (86)
Domestically acquired	253 (14)
Hospitalized	1420/1833 (77)
Died	6/1693 (<1)

Modified from: Date K, et al. CID. 2016; 63, 322–329

# Single Country Visited by US Typhoid Fever Patients in 30 Days Before Illness, 2008-2012 (N= 1465)

<b>Country</b>	<b>n (%)</b>
India	894 (61)
Bangladesh	172 (12)
Pakistan	124 (8)
Mexico	46 ( 3)
Haiti	34 ( 2)
Philippines	19 ( 1)
Nigeria	19 ( 1)
Other	160 (11)

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# Key Points about Typhoid Fever

- The first known outbreak of extensively drug-resistant (XDR) typhoid fever is occurring in Pakistan
- If you suspect that your patient has typhoid fever:
  - Obtain a complete travel history
  - Order blood and stool cultures, and request antimicrobial susceptibility testing
- Report all cases of confirmed typhoid fever to the appropriate local or state health departments

**Management**

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- Ceftriaxone is currently recommended for treatment of *Salmonella* Typhi infections in adults and children.
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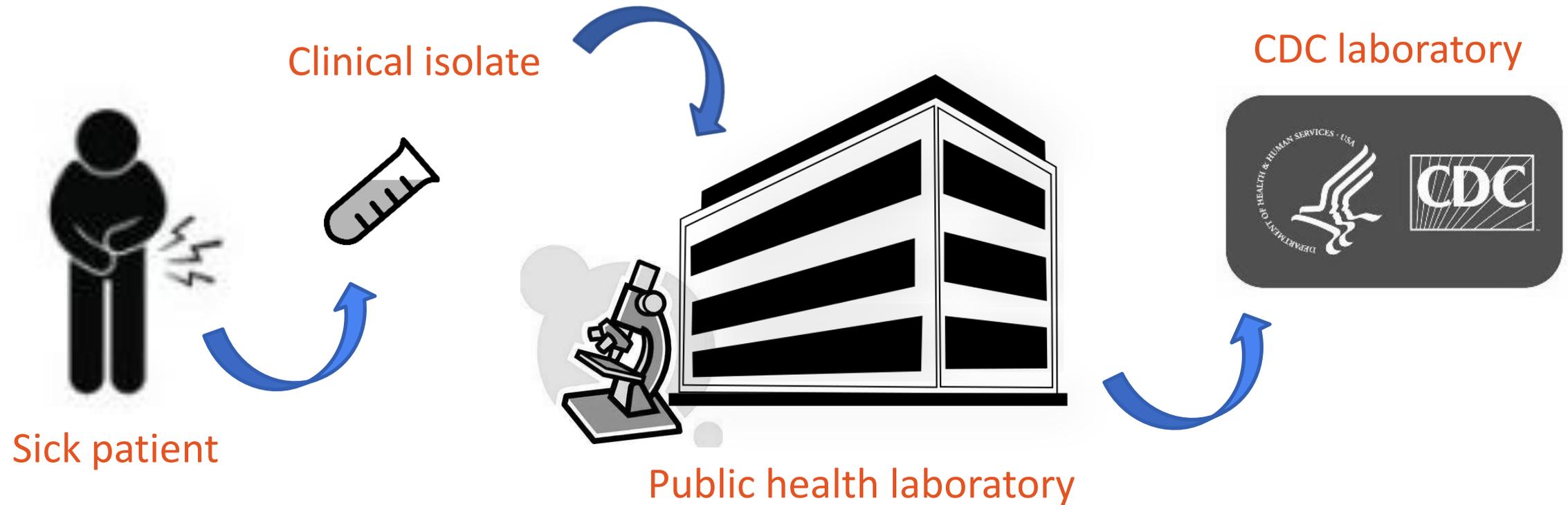
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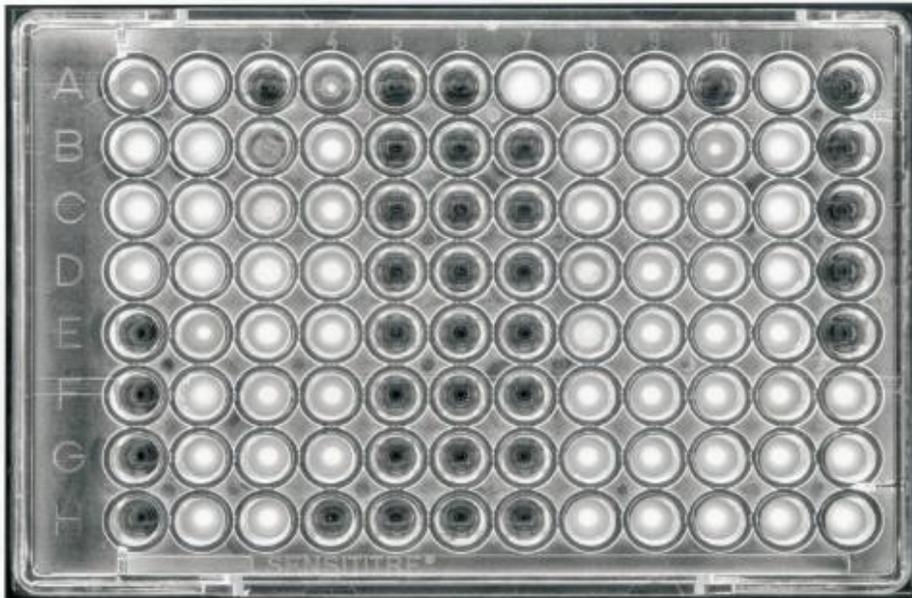
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# Surveillance for Antibiotic Resistance—United States



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- National Antimicrobial Resistance Monitoring System (NARMS)
  - Conducts antimicrobial susceptibility testing (AST) by broth microdilution
  - Tests all *Salmonella* Typhi isolates submitted from U.S. public health laboratories
    - Typhi isolates tested since 1999



**NARMS**  
National Antimicrobial Resistance Monitoring System

# Antibiotic Resistance in *Salmonella* Typhi

- Based on NARMS surveillance data, 2015

## Resistance <1%

- Azithromycin
- Ceftriaxone
- Meropenem

## Resistance 10–12%

- Ampicillin
- Chloramphenicol
- Trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole

## Resistance >60%

- Ciprofloxacin\*

\* Resistance includes intermediate susceptibility

# Fluoroquinolone Considerations

- Fluoroquinolones typically perform the best in susceptible strains
  - Shorter time to defervescence
  - Fewer side effects
  - Shorter duration of treatment without relapse
- Resistance to fluoroquinolones in returned travelers varies markedly by region<sup>1</sup>
  - India, Pakistan, Bangladesh: 81-93% **Most U.S. travel-associated cases**
  - Mexico and Central America: 12-15%
  - South America: < 10%
  - Africa: < 10%

<sup>1</sup>Date et al. Clin Infect Dis. 2016 August 01; 63(3): 322–329

# Resistance Profile of XDR Typhi

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Ampicillin	R
Azithromycin	S
Cefoxitin	S
Ceftriaxone	R
Chloramphenicol	R
Ciprofloxacin	R
Gentamicin	S
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Nalidixic acid	R
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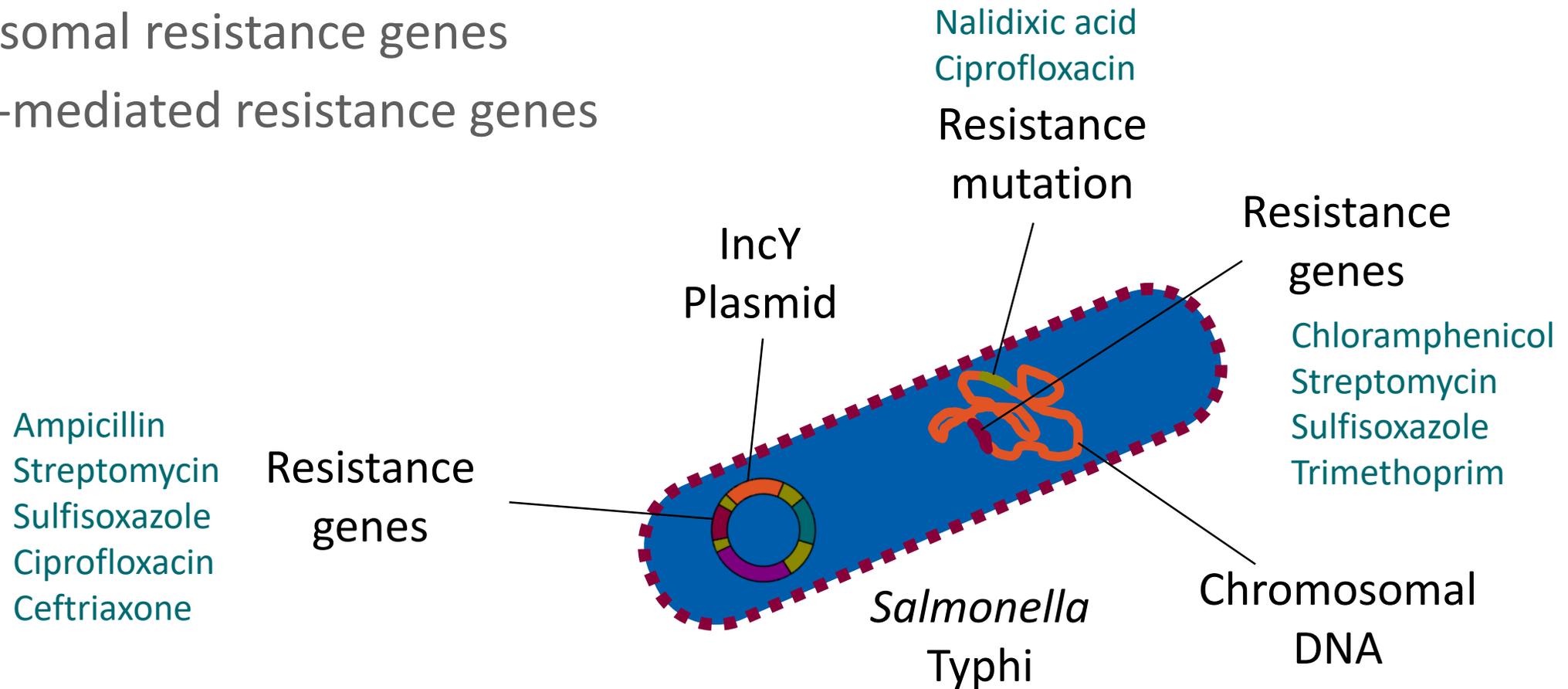
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# Mechanisms of Resistance in XDR *Salmonella* Typhi

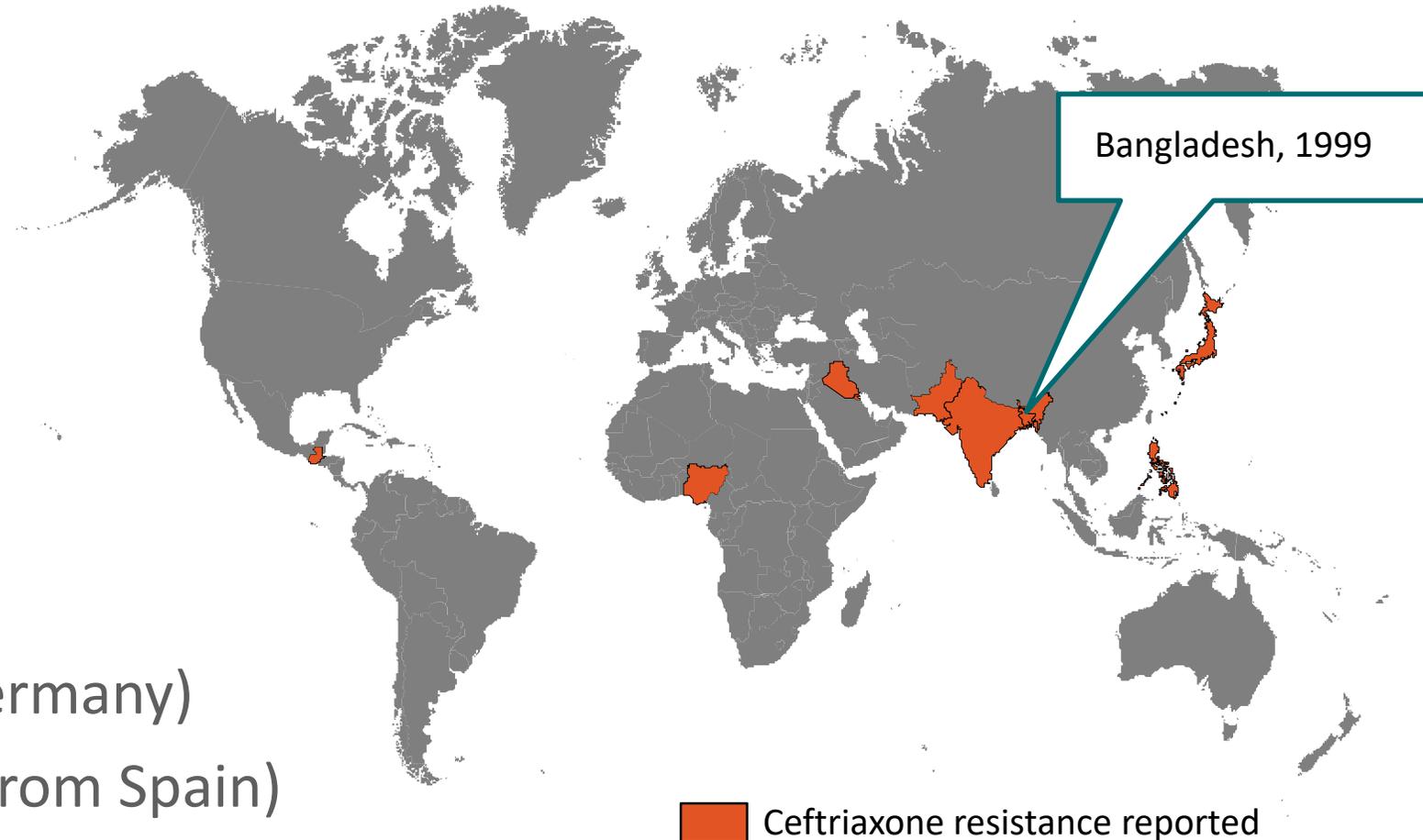
- Chromosomal mutation
- Chromosomal resistance genes
- Plasmid-mediated resistance genes





# Global Ceftriaxone Resistance in *Salmonella* Typhi

- Sporadic cases reported from multiple countries before this outbreak
  - Bangladesh
  - India
  - Japan
  - Kuwait
  - Nigeria
  - Pakistan
  - Philippines
  - Iraq (traveler from Germany)
  - Guatemala (traveler from Spain)



# CDC Traveler's Health Alert

The screenshot shows the CDC Traveler's Health website. At the top right is a 'CDC A-Z INDEX' dropdown. The main header is 'Travelers' Health'. A left sidebar contains navigation links: Home, Destinations, Travel Notices (with a minus sign), Extensively Drug-Resistant Typhoid Fever in Pakistan (highlighted), Yellow Fever Information, Zika Travel Information (with a plus sign), Find a Clinic (with a plus sign), and Disease Directory. The main content area shows the breadcrumb 'CDC > Home > Travel Notices' and the title 'Extensively Drug-Resistant Typhoid Fever in Pakistan' with social media icons for Facebook, Twitter, and a plus sign. Below the title are three travel alert levels: 'Warning - Level 3, Avoid Nonessential Travel' (grey), 'Alert - Level 2, Practice Enhanced Precautions' (yellow, highlighted), and 'Watch - Level 1, Practice Usual Precautions' (grey). A 'Key Points' section contains a bullet point: 'There is an ongoing outbreak of extensively drug-resistant (XDR) typhoid fever in Pakistan that does not respond to most antibiotics.' To the right is a 'What is typhoid fever?' section with a definition: 'Typhoid fever is a serious disease caused by the bacterium *Salmonella*'.

“Azithromycin is effective for uncomplicated typhoid fever (diarrhea or bacteremia without secondary complications)...”

“Carbapenems should be used for patients with suspected severe or complicated typhoid fever...”

- <https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/notices/alert/xdr-typhoid-fever-pakistan>

# Revised Clinical Guidance

- Up-to-Date has adopted recommendations from the CDC travel advisory

The screenshot shows a clinical article titled "Treatment and prevention of enteric (typhoid and paratyphoid) fever" for "typhoid fever". The article is organized into sections: INTRODUCTION, ANTIMICROBIAL RESISTANCE, ANTIMICROBIAL THERAPY, OTHER TREATMENT CONSIDERATIONS, FOLLOW-UP, PROGNOSIS, and PREVENTION. A "What's New" notification box is overlaid on the article, titled "Extensively drug-resistant Salmonella Typhi in Pakistan (July 2018)". The notification text reads: "A large outbreak of typhoid fever caused by a *Salmonella* Typhi strain resistant to chloramphenicol, ampicillin, trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole, fluoroquinolones, and third-generation cephalosporins started in Pakistan in 2016. In 2018, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention issued an alert highlighting that travel-related cases of this extensively drug-resistant (XDR) strain have been identified in the United Kingdom and the United States [1]. The strain remains susceptible to carbapenems and azithromycin; for empiric therapy of patients with suspected or documented typhoid fever acquired in Pakistan, a carbapenem (eg, meropenem) is suggested for severe or complicated infection and azithromycin is suggested for uncomplicated infection. Vaccination against typhoid fever is recommended for those traveling to endemic areas, including Pakistan. (See "Treatment and prevention of enteric (typhoid and paratyphoid) fever", section on 'Extensively drug-resistant typhoid'.)"

# Evidence for Treatment with Azithromycin

- Multiple small clinical trials
  - Performs comparably to other antibiotics
    - **Ceftriaxone** (Frenck et al., 2000)
    - **Chloramphenicol** (Butler et al., 1999)
    - **Ciprofloxacin** (Girgis et al., 1999)
    - **Gatifloxacin** (Dolecek et al., 2008)
    - **Ofloxacin** (Chinh et al., 2000; Parry et al., 2007)
  - Short courses appear effective

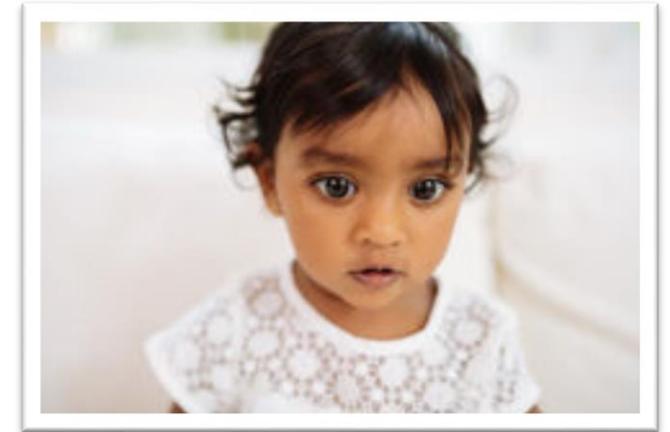
# Evidence for Treatment with Meropenem

- No clinical trials
- Case reports of successful treatment
  - **Meropenem + aztreonam** (Yoon et al., 2009)
  - **Meropenem + fosfomycin** (Kleine et al., 2017)
  - **Meropenem alone** (Wong et al., 2019)

The first Canadian pediatric case of extensively drug-resistant *Salmonella* Typhi originating from an outbreak in Pakistan and its implication for empiric antimicrobial choices

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# Pediatric Case: Blood Culture Results



## Antimicrobial Susceptibility Testing

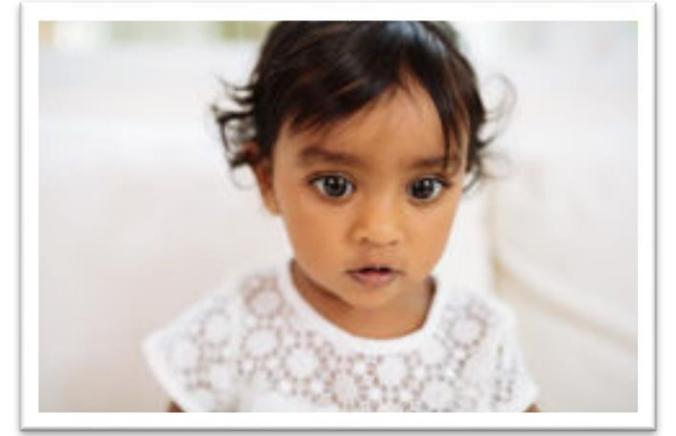
Identification: *Salmonella* Typhi

<u>Agent</u>	<u>Result</u>	<u>Interpretation</u>
Ampicillin	$\geq 32 \mu\text{g/ml}$	Resistant
Ceftriaxone	$> 64 \mu\text{g/ml}$	Resistant
Ertapenem	$\leq 0.25 \mu\text{g/ml}$	Susceptible
Azithromycin	$\leq 16 \mu\text{g/ml}$	Susceptible



# Pediatric Case: Management

- Supportive care
- Azithromycin or meropenem as empiric treatment based on travel history
- Follow results of susceptibility testing
- Consider ID consult for XDR cases



# Key Points about Management

- Most *Salmonella* Typhi infections in the U.S. are susceptible to azithromycin, ceftriaxone, and meropenem.
- Fluoroquinolones such as ciprofloxacin are effective in susceptible strains, but resistance is very high in travelers from South Asia
- Travel history is critical to the selection of optimal empiric treatment
  - Azithromycin or meropenem should be used in travelers coming from Pakistan

**Prevention**

## Tips to Prevent Typhoid



Get yourself & your family vaccinated



Drink only boiled & filtered water



Avoid street food



Use sealed bottled mineral water while travelling



Peel & wash salads and fruits well



Practice good hand hygiene

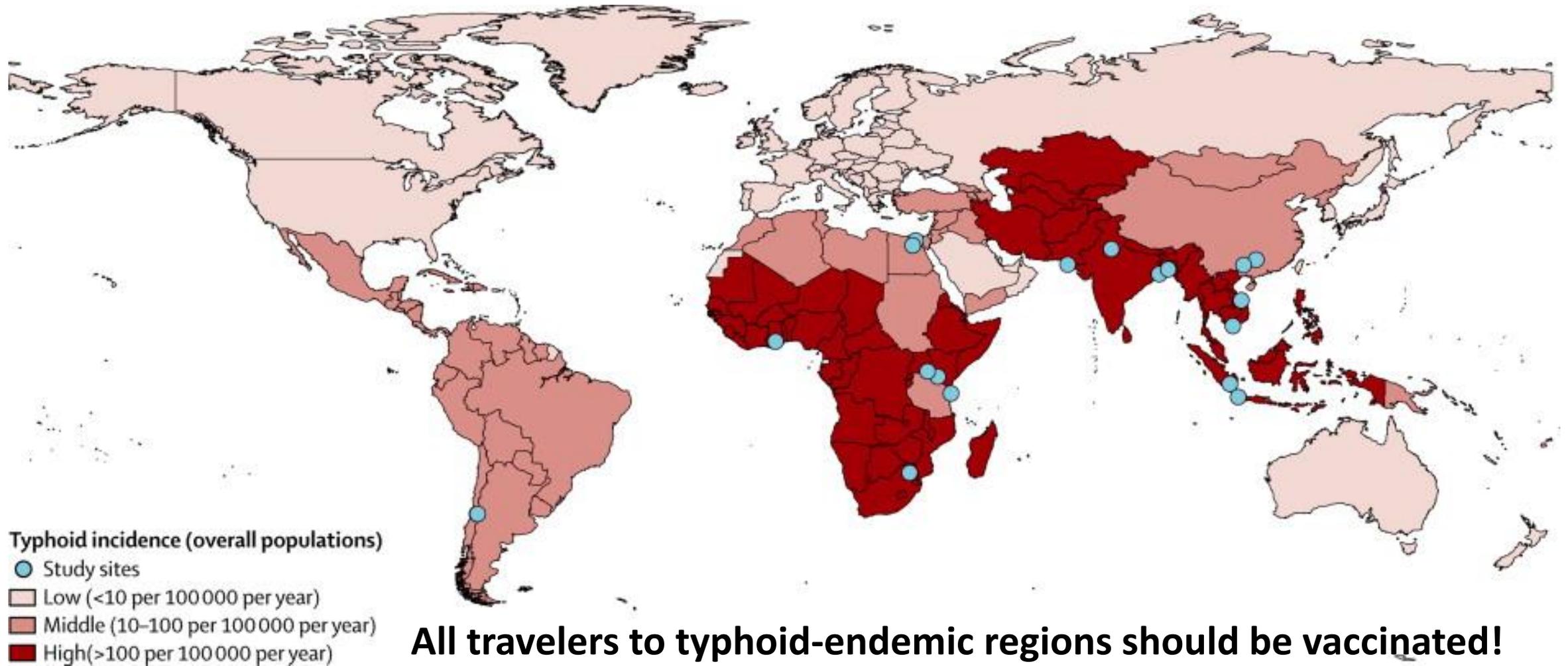


Choose hot foods at restaurants



Avoid sharing spoons, forks with infected persons

# Is your patient traveling?



# CDC Traveler's Health page

The screenshot displays the CDC Traveler's Health website interface. On the left is a vertical navigation menu with items like Home, Destinations, Travel Notices, and various resources. The main content area is titled 'Destinations' and includes social media icons. Below this are two columns of search filters: 'For Travelers' and 'For Clinicians'. Each column has a dropdown menu for 'Where are you going?' and 'Traveler destination', and a list of checkboxes for 'What kind of traveler are you?' with options such as 'Traveling with Children', 'Chronic Disease', 'Cruise Ship', 'Extended Stay/Study Abroad', 'Immune-Compromised Travelers', 'Pregnant Women', 'Mission/Disaster Relief', and 'Visiting Friends or Family'. A green 'Go' button is at the bottom of each filter column.

Typhoid is common worldwide  
“**except** in industrialized regions  
such as the **United States,**  
**Canada, western Europe,**  
**Australia, and Japan...**”

■ <https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/list>

## Question #6

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# Key Points

- This outbreak is the first large-scale outbreak of typhoid fever with ceftriaxone resistance and has led to the first documented U.S. cases of ceftriaxone resistance
- Clinicians should be aware of this outbreak and should avoid ceftriaxone as a single-agent empiric treatment in patients returning from Pakistan
- The XDR *Salmonella* Typhi strain associated with this outbreak is susceptible to azithromycin and carbapenems
- US travelers to typhoid-endemic regions should receive pre-travel vaccination and follow safe food and water practices while abroad

# Resources

- [Alert: Extensively Drug-Resistant Typhoid Fever in Pakistan](#)
- [CDC's Typhoid Fever website](#)
- [CDC Yellow Book: Health Information for International Travel](#)
- [Food and Water Safety During Travel](#)
- [Medscape Commentary: Recognition and Management of Drug-Resistant Typhoid Fever](#)
- [Travelers' Health](#)
- [Typhoid Fever Vaccinations](#)
- [Typhoid Fever Vaccine Information Statements](#)
- [Typhoid Vaccine: Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices \(MMWR 2015\)](#)

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